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Remarks:

*Regarding the amendments to the specification:*

The applicant's deletion of paragraphs [0062] through [0073] deletes a redundant part of the applicant's specification which appears later at paragraphs [0074] through [0085]. The correction of part of Table 1 as it appears as part of paragraph [0085] corrects the inadvertent use of prior example numbers appearing elsewhere in Table 1 at paragraph [0085].

*Regarding the objection concerning lack of "Section Headers":*

The Applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's objection to the specification as failing to include section headers. The Applicant points out that such section headers are not required by the statute, although admittedly they are suggested. The relevant statute, 37 CFR 1.77 indicates that the elements of the application "should" include a section headings however, these are not required. Applicant has elected not to include such section headers in the application.

Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's objection to the specification, and requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection.

*Regarding the rejection of claims 1-18 under 35 USC 112 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph:*

The Applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's rejection of all the claims under 35 USC 112, 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph. Regarding the Examiner's objection to claims 1, 6, 8, 10, 15, and 17, the Applicant has entered suitable Amendments to these foregoing claims in order to address and to overcome the Examiner's grounds of rejection.

Reconsideration of, and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

*Regarding the rejection of claims 1, 8-10, 17 and 18 under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by US 5763332 to Gordon.*

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The Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection of the foregoing claims in view of the Gordon reference.

The Applicant points out that the independent claims 1 and 10 have been amended to address, and overcome the Gordon reference. The Applicants claim compositions now require organopolysiloxane as being necessarily present. Such subject matter is based dependent claims which had not been rejected over the Gordon reference.

Accordingly, reconsideration of and withdrawal of the rejection of the claims under 35 USC 102(b) is respectfully requested.

*Regarding the rejection of claims 2, 4, 6, 7, 11, 13, 15 and 16 under 35 USC 103(a) as being rejected over US 5763332 to Gordon.*

The Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection of the foregoing claims in view of the Gordon reference.

Responsive thereto, the Applicant has now amended independent claims 1 and 10 to require a minimum amount of a "scouring agent" that now need be present. Such corresponds to prior claims 5 and 14 which were indicated to be directed to allowable subject matter by the Examiner. Accordingly, reconsideration of, and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection in view of the Gordon reference is respectfully requested.

*Regarding the rejections of claims 1-18 under 35 USC 103(a) in view of WO 00/27271 to Policicchio:*

The Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection of the outstanding claims in view of the Policicchio reference.

With regards to Policicchio's disclosure concerning multi-laminate structures of wipes, which the Examiner points out is disclosed at page 89, lines 28-32, the correponsing text of Policicchio actually reads:

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"In addition to having wipes prepared using a mono-layered substrate, it is advantageous in some situations to have the pre-moistened wipe constructed having multiple layers. In a preferred embodiment, the wipe consists of a multi-laminate structure comprising a pre-moistened outerlayer, and imperable film or a membrane inner layer and second outer-layer which is substantially dry. To improve the wet capacity of the wipe and to protect the back layer from getting prematurely wet, an optional absorbent reservoir can be placed between the pre-moistened first outer-layer and the imperable film or membrane. Preferably, the dimensions of the reservoir are smaller than the dimensions of the two outer layers to prevent liquid wicking from the first layer onto the back layer."

The Policicchio reference can be distinguished and that whereas it makes passing mention to a three-layer laminated construction wherein all of the layers are stacked upon one another or "in register" the Applicant's invention as originally claimed is directed to ".... a flexible substrate having a first portion, divided by an imperable barrier extending through the flexible substrate from a second portion end". The term "extending through" in the Applicant's independent claims is believed to distinguish over the Policicchio prior art document. Policicchio's barrier at best, extends "between" layers of substrate but does not "through" his substrate. Applicant's preferred embodiment of a flexible substrate are divided in a "side-by-side" manner wherein the imperable barrier acts as a wall dividing the sides of the flexible substrate. This is a contrast to the intermediate layer provided by Policicchio, and is believed to be non-obvious thereover.

Accordingly, reconsideration of the propriety of the rejection in view of the Policicchio reference, and its withdrawal is respectfully requested.

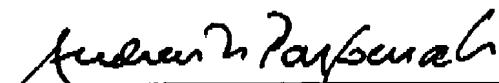
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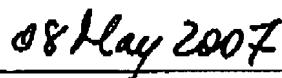
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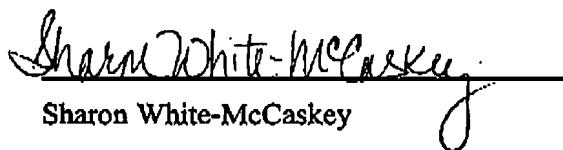


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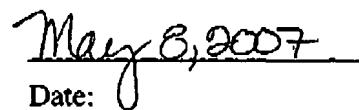
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